AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 3, 17-22, 25, 28 without prejudice or disclaimer, amend claims 1, 4, 5, 14, 15, 23, and add new claims 29-41, to read as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A disc cartridge storage case, comprising:

a first cover portion;

an intermediate portion connected to the first cover portion by a first hinge;

a second cover portion connected to the intermediate portion by a second hinge, said first and second cover portions each being pivotable relative to the intermediate portion between respective open and closed positions; and

said intermediate portion being provided with a holder for a disc cartridge, said holder having a slot, and said case having at least one projection extending into the slot for engaging a corresponding hole in a cartridge for holding the cartridge in the slot,

wherein said holder comprises a first rigid support and a second flexible support, said slot is defined between facing surfaces of said first and second supports, and said at least one projection extends from said second flexible support and is flexible away from said first rigid support to allow a cartridge to be slipped into and out of the slot.

2. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein said at least one projection comprises first and second pins extending into the slot.

3. (Canceled)

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4. (Currently amended) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim [3] 1, wherein said at least one projection comprises first and second pins extending from said second flexible support into the slot.

- 5. (Currently amended) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim [3] 1, wherein said holder is arranged so that said second cover portion prevents the second flexible support of the holder from flexing outward when the second cover portion is in its closed position.
- 6. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 5, wherein said holder is positioned on the intermediate portion closer to the second cover portion than to the first cover portion.
- 7. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein said holder is arranged so that said second cover portion prevents said at least one projection from moving outward from the slot when the second cover portion is in its closed position.
- 8. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein said at least one projection has a beveled end to facilitate insertion and removal of a cartridge from the slot.

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9. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein

outer surfaces of said first and second cover portions and said intermediate portion are

substantially coplanar with each other when said first and second cover portions are in

their open positions, and said holder extends from said intermediate portion such that

said slot opens in a direction perpendicular to a plane containing said first and second

cover portions in their open positions.

10. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein

said holder further comprises at least one hole arranged to be aligned with a

corresponding hole in a disc cartridge when the cartridge is seated in the slot of the

holder, and wherein said at least one projection comprises at least one pin extending

from the second cover portion, said at least one pin being aligned with said at least

one hole of the holder as the second cover portion moves into its closed position to

protrude through said at least one hole of the holder and into the corresponding hole

of the disc cartridge.

11. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein

said first cover portion includes a means for displaying printed graphics and

instructional material.

12. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein

said first and second cover portions and said intermediate portion comprise the front,

back and middle panels, respectively, of a clam-shell type case made of

polypropylene.

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13. (Original) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, wherein

said holder is arranged to support a disc cartridge perpendicular to an outer planar

surface of said intermediate portion.

14. (Currently amended) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim

1, wherein said [holder comprises a] said second flexible support is located on one

side of said slot, and said at least one projection extends from said second flexible

support and is movable away from a position of equilibrium to allow a cartridge to be

slipped into and out of the slot when the case is opened.

15. (Currently amended) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim

1, wherein said holder further comprises a rigid support and another flexible support

to form a pair of flexible supports extending in a cantilever fashion from the

intermediate portion, said slot is defined between facing surfaces of said rigid support

and said flexible supports, and said at least one projection comprises a pair of

projections extending from the flexible supports into said slot for engaging

corresponding holes in the cartridge.

16. (Withdrawn) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 1, further

comprising a U-shaped rib formed integral with and projecting from an inner planar

surface of the second cover portion toward an inner planar surface of the first cover

portion, said U-shaped rib having an inner periphery that corresponds closely with an

arcuate outer periphery of a disc cartridge to be held within said case.

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17. (Canceled)

18. (Canceled)

19. (Canceled)

20. (Canceled)

21. (Canceled)

22. (Canceled)

a holder for holding a cartridge, said holder having a slot into which said cartridge can be inserted, and at least one projection extending resiliently into the slot for engaging a corresponding recess in the cartridge for holding the cartridge within the slot, wherein said holder comprises a first rigid support and a second flexible support, said slot is defined between facing surfaces of said first and second supports, and said at least one projection extends from said flexible support and is flexible away

23. (Currently amended) A disc cartridge presentation stand, comprising:

24. (Original) The disc cartridge presentation stand according to claim 23, wherein said at least one projection comprises first and second pins extending into the

from said first rigid support to allow a cartridge to be slipped into and out of the slot.

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slot, said pins being resiliently movable in a direction perpendicular to a direction of insertion of the disc cartridge into said slot.

25. (Canceled)

- 26. (Original) The disc cartridge presentation stand according to claim 23, wherein said at least one projection has a beveled end to facilitate insertion and removal of a cartridge from the slot.
- 27. (Original) The disc cartridge presentation stand according to claim 23, wherein said holder is attached to a middle panel of a clam-shell type storage case.
 - 28. (Canceled)
 - 29. (New) A disc cartridge storage case, comprising:
 - a first cover portion;

an intermediate portion connected to the first cover portion by a first hinge;

a second cover portion connected to the intermediate portion by a second hinge, said first and second cover portions each being pivotable relative to the intermediate portion between respective open and closed positions; and

said intermediate portion being provided with a holder for a disc cartridge, said holder having a slot, and said case having at least one projection extending into the slot for engaging a corresponding hole in a cartridge for holding the cartridge in the slot, wherein said holder further comprises at least one hole arranged

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to be aligned with a corresponding hole in a disc cartridge when the cartridge is seated

in the slot of the holder, and wherein said at least one projection comprises at least

one pin extending from the second cover portion, said at least one pin being aligned

with said at least one hole of the holder as the second cover portion moves into its

closed position to protrude through said at least one hole of the holder and into the

corresponding hole of the disc cartridge.

30. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said at least one projection comprises first and second pins extending into the slot.

31. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein said

holder comprises a first rigid support and a second flexible support, said slot is

defined between facing surfaces of said first and second supports, and said at least one

projection extends from said second flexible support and is flexible away from said

first rigid support to allow a cartridge to be slipped into and out of the slot.

32. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 31, wherein said

at least one projection comprises first and second pins extending from said second

flexible support into the slot.

33. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 31, wherein

said holder is arranged so that said second cover portion prevents the second flexible

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support of the holder from flexing outward when the second cover portion is in its

closed position.

34. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 33, wherein

said holder is positioned on the intermediate portion closer to the second cover

portion than to the first cover portion.

35. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said holder is arranged so that said second cover portion prevents said at least one

projection from moving outward from the slot when the second cover portion is in its

closed position.

36. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said at least one projection has a beveled end to facilitate insertion and removal of a

cartridge from the slot.

37. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

outer surfaces of said first and second cover portions and said intermediate portion are

substantially coplanar with each other when said first and second cover portions are in

their open positions, and said holder extends from said intermediate portion such that

said slot opens in a direction perpendicular to a plane containing said first and second

cover portions in their open positions.

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38. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said first cover portion includes a means for displaying printed graphics and

instructional material.

39. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said first and second cover portions and said intermediate portion comprise the front,

back and middle panels, respectively, of a clam-shell type case made of

polypropylene.

40. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said holder is arranged to support a disc cartridge perpendicular to an outer planar

surface of said intermediate portion.

41. (New) The disc cartridge storage case according to claim 29, wherein

said holder comprises a flexible support on one side of said slot, and said at least one

projection extends from said flexible support and is movable away from a position of

equilibrium to allow a cartridge to be slipped into and out of the slot when the case is

opened.